

# THE BOSTON AMERICAN



**THE WEATHER.**  
Generally fair and somewhat cooler tonight and Tuesday; moderate westerly winds.  
Sun rises 4:32, sets 7:08.  
Moon rises 1:54 p. m., sets 6:45 p. m.  
Temperature—Boston 70, Chicago 72, New Orleans 80, New York 70, Philadelphia 76, San Francisco 58.



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## LAWYERS UP GIRL'S BODY

### KING'S AMAZING DIARY REVEALS PRISON SECRETS

The AMERICAN prints today the second instalment of the wonderful article from the pen of the late Corderio F. King, the former Boston financial operator, on "The Secrets of Prison Life." In this tale of what he calls "The Walled City," King touches the point of human emotion from the deep bars of misery and despair up to the high treble of hope and courage. He relates prison life at Charlestown as man never did before who suffered in that institution of confinement. He points the sorrows and joys—as such—of prison durance. He holds up the mirror to the felon world with a vivid pen. He writes in a masterful style. The first instalment ended with King in the middle of a description of the first night in a cell and the coming of the "Evil Thing," which was temptation to commit suicide.

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The temptation was great. I wavered. I thought, "Why not let this be all and end all, here?" But doubt gave me advantage and my self-proclaimed benefactor saw that I hesitated.

The head arose and came to my side and stood by me and whispered, pleasantly, in my ear these words: "Be wise, be wise. End it all now while you yet wear the garments of a man. Tomorrow it will be too late. They took your money, watch, and all other little trinkets you had in your pockets as you came in. You halted to part with that nice case of Havana cigars, but you had to give 'em up, didn't you?"

The head dropped upon the cot and with a sort of low, guttural chuckle said: "You'll like this. The mattress seems to be stuffed with shavings and corn cobs, with a few broken bricks put in for good measure. Little 'comforts' like this will keep you constantly reminded of 'home.'"

The head was now speaking earnestly. "Let us reason together," he continued, "my argument is for your own good. You have but one death to die and die you must. Remember, some day—some day, all men must die. In your case you can never live out that sentence, and the chances are you will sink under the degradation to which you are yet to be subjected. You are now in the safe room to a Chamber of Horrors. Tomorrow they will come and take away all these good clothes you are now wearing and give you a pair of moth-eaten stripes nicely decorated with patches. The prison barber will shave your face and head with a butcher's razor. You'll exchange your comfortable shoes for a five pound pair of second-hand brogans, and after smiling sweetly for the prison photographer and having your finger and thumb prints recorded, you'll be given a card with a row of figures stamped across it so you will be able to answer when your new name is called, and then they'll send you off with a gang of roughnecks who will teach you how to make little stones out of big ones. You'll have to eat coarse food out of rusty tin pans—oh, you'll probably be able to stand it for a week, and then you'll do what the voice of wisdom says should be done now."

At nine o'clock the electric light flickered out and I undressed and fell upon the cot in a vain endeavor to find rest and

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### May Clear Mystery

#### CORDON ON COAST COMPLETE

Last Battleship and Gunboat Reach Their Posts for Guard Duty.

#### CONSUL'S REMOVAL ASKED

WASHINGTON, July 28.—With the arrival of the gunboat Wheeling at Frontera, and of the battleship South Carolina at Veracruz, the Navy Department completed its guard over the Atlantic Coast of Mexico today.

The battleship USS Hampshire was temporarily withdrawn from the Caribbean squadron and ordered to Galveston, Admiral Fletcher, at Vera Cruz, is in touch with every phase of the situation in Southern Mexico through the arrival of the Wheeling, and the War Department is taking steps to improve its direct communication with the northern provinces.

#### Ask Consul's Removal.

The naval force of the United States at Vera Cruz, Mexico, was requested at the State Department today by Representative Smith, a Texas Democrat, who charged that the United States had been negligent in relieving American refugees at Matamoros, Representative Smith, who acted on complaint of his constituents in the El Paso district, says that thirty-five Americans, among them women and children, are in peril at Matamoros.

Smith says he is advised that Edwards has misrepresented the situation at Matamoros to the State Department.

#### Smith Promises No Action.

"I informed the Secretary of State," said Smith, "that so long as we do not recognize the Huerta government we should not favor it by allowing it to secure arms from this country."

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ISABELLE KANERT, nineteen-year-old Everett girl, drowned in canoe accident at Canobie Lake. Photograph by Champlain & Farrar.



#### VICTIM DREADED BOATING PERIL

The body of Isabelle Munroe Kanert, the nineteen-year-old Everett girl, who was drowned in Canobie Lake when the canoe upset in which she was paddling with Harold Dennis of Chelsea, was recovered by searchers today. Arrangements were at once made for an autopsy to be performed on the body by Medical Examiner L. G. Dearborn, Jr., of Derry, N. H.

#### COUNTY OFFICIALS AT LAKE.

At the lake at the time of the search and at the moment the girl's body was drawn from the water were not only Deane, but Miss Sheriff's son-in-law and County Solicitor Ernest L. Giffitt of Portsmouth, N. H. Both conducted an investigation. In the death of the girl, Giffitt having previously interviewed young Dennis to get his account of how Miss Kanert met her death.

#### Start "Mystery" Rumor.

While the questioning was being made today, the officials maintained a secrecy which caused rumors of a "mystery" to spread. Medical Examiner Dearborn, who was in Boston today, declined he could not discuss the case in any way. "Until the body is turned over to me for my examination," he said, "I have no official connection with the case."

Just about the time the body was being taken from the lake, it became known in Everett that Miss Kanert died on the last canoe trip—so she promised her mother—that she would ever take. Several boats before her fatal trip with young Dennis, the girl said to her mother:

"Goodbye, mother. I promise you I'll not go canoeing any more. This will be my last time."

This was yesterday. Her mother and daughter lived, and the daughter left smiling with young Dennis. Last night the mother, heartbroken, heard from the youth how he had vainly tried to save the daughter from drowning. Friends remarked today that the girl's farewell words to her mother had been prophetic and that the trip had turned out to be "the last she would ever take."

#### Had Dread of Water.

Mrs. Kanert explained today that her daughter feared water as a result of two narrow escapes from drowning several years ago.

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#### DORCHESTER TROLLEY CARS IN COLLISION

Several passengers were shaken up and one suffered a broken leg in a rear-end collision of two trolley cars on Dorchester avenue, a few rods beyond the South Station, at 2 o'clock this afternoon. The man whose leg was broken is George Schiller of No. 40 Thomas park, South Boston. He was taken to the Carney Hospital.

The collision, according to an Elected Inspector, was due to a trolley slipping on an "oil spot" car just as the rear of a big Milton car, following closely behind, was approaching the spot.

There were thirty-five passengers on the City Point car, and thirty-five on the Milton car. The rear platform of the City Point car was crushed and the front of the Milton car was broken and the trolley cars were damaged.

Schiller, the man whose leg was broken, was on the rear platform of the City Point car.

#### Costa Rica Accepts Bryan Peace Plan

WASHINGTON, July 28.—Minister Calvo announces that Costa Rica is the twenty-fourth nation to accept in principle Secretary Bryan's international peace plan.

#### SERVANS AGAIN ROY BULGARS.

BELGRADE, July 28.—The Servians defeated the Bulgarians with heavy loss near Egipkapani, according to an announcement issued by the war office today.

#### SUSPECT BIG LUMBER FIRE WAS SET.

BUFFALO, July 28.—Incendiarism is suspected in the cause of the fire which destroyed almost 10,000,000 feet of lumber in the yards of A. Weston & Son, North Tonawanda, with a loss estimated at \$500,000.

#### HOUSE IN SESSION BUT THREE MINUTES.

WASHINGTON, July 28.—The House broke another record today when it adjourned three minutes after the opening gavel fell. Immediately after the prayer Representative Gardner of Massachusetts continued the Republican filibuster by making a point of no quorum.

#### Charge Shoe Fraud.

Forty-one pair of shoes have been seized as evidence in the case against Samuel A. Cohen of No. 80 Summer street, charged with selling counterfeit shoes. The shoes were found in the basement of the building.

#### Three Men Drowned.

NEW YORK, July 28.—Three men were drowned when the steamer City of Arcadia ran down the tender of the government schooner of Cape Lookout, N. C., on Friday.

#### Two Greater Boston Girls Are Drowned

Tragedy Revealed When Clothes Are Found on Shore.

CHOCOMA LAKE, N. J., July 28.—Miss Della Sullivan of No. 53 Ninth street, Cambridge, and Miss Margaret Hughes of No. 27 Broad street, Somerville, were drowned while bathing in the lake here.

Both were equipped at the Summer house of Charles S. Argall of Brookline.

Their clothing was found on the shore. This led to a search of the lake from which their bodies were recovered.

#### Warren as Dark Horse for Collector

WASHINGTON, July 28.—Congressman Murray conferred with Secretary McAdoo today relative to the Boston collectorship of customs. Murray's visit was primarily to urge the appointment of William Warren of East Boston and to verify rumors that the tentative list of ten submitted by the Democratic representative was to be ignored by the department.

#### Stevens Quits as G. O. P. Candidate

State Treasurer Elmer A. Stevens is out of the running as a candidate for the Republican nomination for Governor. In a statement issued today the State Treasurer declared that personal affairs should be subordinate to the interests of the Republican party.

#### Emery of License Board Is Dying

Suffering from Bright's Disease at Home in Hull.

Dr. Edward W. Childers, who has been attending Mr. Emery, said today: "Mr. Emery is very ill today. He has but a short time to live."

Although ill for many weeks, not until ten days ago did his condition become critical. Since then he has failed rapidly.

#### Convict Boys of Newton Breaks

Worden Brothers Recently Escaped from Lyman School.

James T. and Wolcott Worden, fourteen and twelve-year-old sons of a well-to-do family on Fenwick street, in the Hingham Hill section of Newton, were convicted in Newton District Court today of breaking and entering the house of Henry W. Robart, at No. 19 Arlington street, Newton, Friday night, and of larceny of a gold chain, memorandum book, cash and rare coins. Their cases were continued in Wednesday for disposition.

In court with the Worden boys was Robert J. Mahoney, fourteen years, of Framingham, who escaped from the Lyman school with them recently.

The Worden boys were committed to the school last Fall, following arrest after being taken to the Hingham Hill neighborhood.

#### Get Close To the Soil

City folk trend farmward almost as fast these days as farm folk trend cityward.

The consequent exchange of properties is facilitated by the advertising in the Real Estate Columns of the BOSTON AMERICAN.

Circulation Nearly 400,000, Evening and Sunday . . . .

Offices at 80-82 Summer St. and 264 Washington St.

# WHAT IS YOUR POLICY, MR. ELLIOTT?

## New England Wants an Answer to This Telegram

the confidence of the New England public through its monopo-

The Interstate Commerce Commission urged the separation of the New Haven road from trackage owned by other

affairs foreign to railroad. This expresses the general sentiment.

Nothing in your statement or that issued by the directors indicates any intention of changing the old policy in this respect. This public asks: "Will you be given power to follow the Interstate Commerce Commission's suggestion, and if so, will you divorce the New Haven road from the several other enterprises which have brought it into such disfavor."

A frank answer to this question will be given the greatest publicity by AMERICAN.

EDITOR, BOSTON AMERICAN.

**Is Making Gain** for construction of a postoffice building at Bangor, Me., was awarded by the Treasury Department today to William H. Maxwell of Tacoma, Washington, at \$203,835.

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citizens, he believes to give them a chance to get out from under the debt which has been piled upon them, to tempt to frighten Harrington and others, and to get them back to camp.

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**NOT A KANSAS TOTAL**

which claims the distinction of being the only country in the world without a foreign debt of any kind, will have a balance in its treasury of about \$94,000 as soon as the \$100,000,000 agreement is consummated. Just paid by the United States for the use of the Canal Zone, has been repaid.

**to Visit Boston**  
WASHINGTON, July 28.—Invitations  
were received today by the House Com-

tion on favors and interests and its  
 A. **DR. HEWSON**  
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## The Dingbat Family

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## Mrs. D. Peeps Into the "Movie" Studio



## Dauntless Durham of the U. S. A.

BULLETIN-Siberia-Towns here have many names. You have to eat a sour lemon before pronouncing them. Excelsior-IL RHAN.

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Twenty Days Less Than Three Weeks—Left Our Hero to Complete His Round-the-World Record-Breaking Trip



## Polly and Her Pals

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## Pa Overplays the Emotional Role



## Us Boys

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## Skinny Is Too Fat to Be a Kidnap



















# AMAZING STORY OF LIFE IN PRISON GIVES GRAPHIC PICTURE OF PRISON LIFE

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sleep. The food from hell sat down upon the wooden chair—like a faithful dog that had followed his master to the grave—and continued to picture the horrors of a prison existence and the calm, peaceful rest which death offers to the troubled soul. God alone knows how dangerously near I came to responding to the voice of the tempter that night, for I felt I was submerged in an impenetrable sea of black despair. A hot sud tucked away in a recessing vault for the damned could offer no greater agony than I suffered that night.

At length dawn came. I had passed away from my first night in prison and I take it for granted that my experience was not essentially different from the experiences of other prisoners for the first time. And prison doors closed upon them with no knowledge of the actual conditions which they are suddenly called upon to confront. Because of this lack of information, added to the crushing blow of my sentence, the dark, ominous stillness, with no words to cheer or inform me as to the meaning of my sentence, was as terrible as that of a thousand years of life in freedom would not efface it from my memory.

The coming of light ushered in some activity which broke the dead, silent monotony of the night. There was a clanging of gongs, the patter of moving feet, the noise of turning wheels. Then came the passing of many prisoners along the corridors. I peered out at them through the bars of my door, and there came over me a feeling of relief as I failed to see any one dressed in stripes or with head shaved. The suits were of gray, collars were attached to all shirts and nearly everybody wore a necktie. Some had whiskers, others wore a moustache. They were all clean of face, with hair brushed and the all actually looked human! One passed close to my barred door and whispered, "Cheer up, old man," as he went by.

They were going to and returning from the kitchen "alide" for their breakfast, which they carried to their cells. I don't

know whether or not my breakfast was brought to me. I know that I did not go with the others to the kitchen "alide."

At eight o'clock there came again the clanging of gongs and once more the cell doors were unlocked and the procession of prisoners passed along the corridors and out to the yard, where they formed into a line and marched back to the various shops to enter upon the day's work.

Within an hour or so after the men had gone to the shops the door of my cell was unlocked and I came out to be measured by a good natured prison tailor for my suit of gray. He explained that he failed to bring along "samples of his latest woven importations," but promised to make the garments in "accordance with the latest London fashion plates."

When the tailor had finished I was taken out into the snow-covered yard and thence a dozen men to a cell house known as the "block." Here I was placed in another cubby-hole cell to serve my first day in "solitary confinement," in keeping with a medieval custom as provided by the statutes of a great State. The "block" is a small fortlike building especially constructed to keep out light and fresh air. It is in the "block" that all solitary and punishment cells are located.

During the day I was quiet. I have no recollection of anything being passed in for me to eat, but take it for granted I was given water and bread. That, I have since been told, is the "menu" for prisoners in solitary.

For an hour or more in the early evening a sort of bedlam prevailed. Weird, discordant sounds from a dozen different musical instruments came from a row of cells on the upper tier. No two of the instruments were playing in the same key, nor were attempting the same tune. I could not figure out any sort of explanation for the awful screaming notes and snail song which I heard. I was told that it was a fair faro for hell's orchestra. The weird fanfare seemed in every way appropriate to the time and place. I have since been told that it was only the nightly jambores of certain amateur musicians—a luxury permitted prisoners "locking" in Upper Block and Cherry Hill adjoining.

It may be that I slept a few hours during the night, but I have no recollection of anything occurring in an endeavor to get a grip upon whatever of Christian fortitude I could muster and steel myself for the ordeal through which I was passing.

It was not until I was not put out of my mind thoughts of suicide. Half a dozen methods suggested themselves to me, but I turned the first from my mind. I suggested them. They would think of some—wife and our four family sons of my good mother in a distant State whose snow-white head I know was bowed in prayer for her unfortunate boy-of-brothers and sisters—and I would register a new vow to live for them—to suffer on for them—and some day—somehow—God would show the way—erase this dark period in my life.

And at the sun is setting upon the second day of my sentence of "ten to fourteen years" I am fully determined to do just that. I am sure that the strokes are dampening to the ardor and crushing to ambition; nevertheless having made the resolution it is the new goal of my life—to live and purpose of a self-dedicating, unbreakable and unquenchable determination.

The friend from hell—the Evil Thing—has been put behind me. I SHALL LIVE.

To be Confined Tomorrow.

**Sloterdyk at New York for Survey**

NEW YORK, July 28.—The Holland American freight steamer, *Hollandia*, Captain Malt, came into port today for a survey of her hull. The captain reported that the vessel was in good condition and that the hull was in good shape. The survey was conducted by a committee of the port authority, and the results were satisfactory.

**PLYMOUTH**

An ideal all day trip. Steamer Leaves Rowe's Wharf 10 A. M. MUSIC.

**HARRY R. LENNIHAN** of Chicopee Falls, who found American Green Parrot Girl and got \$150.



**GREEN PARROT GIRL**

**Beat Him, Got \$35**

**Deedman Man Alleges He Lay Senates on Backs He Tracks**

Brain and robbed of \$150 and a gold watch and chain. Victim, George, of High Street, Deedman, claims he lay on the Boston & Albany tracks today for a month and a half, and drag himself out of his prison position.

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**By W. H. ROSS, Financial Editor.**

Stocks higher this morning and markets were active during the first hour. The advance took of increased confidence in the situation. Copper warrants opened the week with another big price gain in London.

In the local market there was no movement in Lake issues. But Copper Range sold a point higher. Some other mines made good gains, including the newly issued American Lake. The new issue was sold at 100, but the old issue was sold at 100.

Chesapeake & Ohio was strong in New York, being up 2 1/2 at the end of an hour. Amalgamated was higher and New Haven 1. Other good gains were Canadian Pacific 1 1/2, Union Pacific 1 1/2, and American Express 1 1/2.

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## The Democratic Party Cannot Evade Its Responsibility for the Misconduct of Its Repre- sentatives in the Legislature

Many prominent men in the Democratic party pretend to be unable to understand why the party as a whole should be held responsible for the misconduct of its representatives in the Legislature.

The dullness of these leaders is assumed. They know well enough why it is in the public interest to hold the party responsible for the acts of its representatives.

Parties have their excuse for existing in the fact that they assume responsibility for what their representatives do. We have always had a government by parties because we have always recognized the necessity of making some permanent organization of interested men responsible for what those in office may do.

Under our present INEFFICIENT system of representative government, the best we can do to keep our representatives true and faithful is to put on guard over them a large number of active and influential men whom we cause to share their fate, prospering as their representatives are faithful and losing as they are faithless. This is called party responsibility. Without it, and until we have the Initiative and Referendum and the Recall, we should be in a state of confusion and irresponsibility among our public servants that would border on anarchy.

The great mass of the people have no time to watch the individual records of every one of the one thousand Congressmen and national administrative officers and of the five hundred Legislators and State officials. It would be an impossible task and representative government would be a worse force even than it now is, if it attempted to clean out the faithless men in public office one at a time, judging each man by himself.

The very impossibility of the task is the reason why we have never attempted it and also the reason why we have parties and why we place upon the whole party the responsibility for the acts of every one of its representatives.

When every man in the party knows that he must suffer some loss by the misconduct of any member of his party, he is thus made a political sentinel, watching out for misbehavior among his colleagues. And when a man knows that he may bring disaster down upon his whole party by his misconduct and will incur the opprobrium and hostility of all the members of his party, it has a tendency to restrain him and to make him resist his own evil promptings.

Party responsibility tends to make every man, at least every active man, in the party help to hold up the weak and the evildoers among its representatives. It acts like the rope that is passed around the waist of each man in a party of mountain climbers. If one should slip, the others are made to hold him up.

This year the active Democratic leaders seem to have forgotten the nature of their party responsibility. IT IS IMPOSSIBLE TO BELIEVE THAT IF THE DEMOCRATIC LEADERS HAD DONE THEIR DUTY so many Democrats would have betrayed their party platform at the command of a railroad lobby, however powerful.

Not only is this true, but it is certain, that if a Democratic organization had not taken some active measures to lend SLY ENCOURAGEMENT to the Democrats in the Legislature in their miserable apostasy, so many of them would not have turned traitor to their party platform and to the welfare of the State.

It is one thing for the party organization to admit its error and to ask forgiveness of the people. But it is another thing to remain unrepentant and to deny all responsibility for the very things for which the party was organized to become responsible.

If the people of the State were to allow the Democratic organization to go unopposed for its betrayal of its own platform and of the whole State, these betrayals would become so frequent that the Democratic party would cease to exist, or the Republic itself would go the way every government has gone whose public servants repeatedly betrayed it.

## Another Warning to Mothers

What to Do on These Hot Days and Nights for the Baby.

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Again we say, there are a few things to mothers to remember. If you are worried about your baby, have a doctor see it. A GOOD DOCTOR. If you can not get a good doctor, go to the Department of Health, get the advice of a doctor at a free dispensary.

Don't wean the baby when the weather is very hot, if you can possibly help it, or when it is ill. The change in food upsets the digestion and may be fatal at a critical moment.

### Feed your baby regularly.

Sacrifice everything to this important point. The child's stomach gets used to food at certain times, and digests it easily at those times, if the food is regular.

Get a doctor's advice about feeding a baby if it is delicate. Every two hours in the daytime, and every four hours at night will do for a healthy child.

Don't dress your baby warmly. HAVE NOTHING TIGHT AROUND ITS NECK OR STOMACH. KEEP EVERYTHING LOOSE AND AIRY EVERYWHERE.

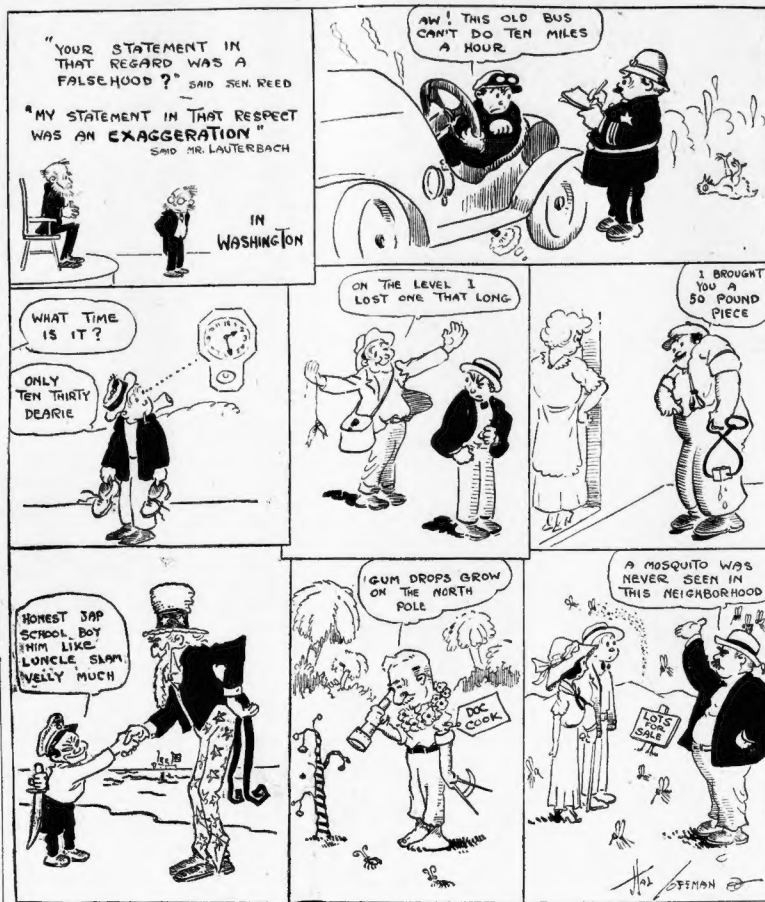
Have your window open day and night. Keep the baby off the dirty floor, where it gets germs on its little hands and puts them in its mouth.

Remember that in the really hot weather the thinnest possible clothing is all that a child needs. One little, thin, cotton shirt, low-necked and without sleeves, will do while the baby is indoors.

Avoid strong draughts. But better a draught than not enough air.

Above all, give your baby enough to drink. If the baby cries

## Mere Exaggerations



## One Woman's Story

### Chapter X.

TO young people the commonplace drudgery of the workaday world is accomplished swiftly and pleasantly if they have some happiness in anticipation as a sort of objective point toward which they are progressing. Mary Danforth did not appreciate that, from the time she received and accepted Craig's invitation, each task completed and each hour passed went by for her in unconscious bliss but steps nearer to Wednesday night when she would again be with the man who had begun to mean much to her. She did not see the Texan in the four days which intervened between the receipt of his note and the night on which "Aida" was to be sung. On Monday evening her father again mentioned casually that Craig had once more called at his office. "He dropped in this morning," he remarked, "and I asked him out to dinner

last, but he said he was going over to Philadelphia for a day or two, so he could not accept. He sent his kindest regards to you, my dear"—turning to his wife—"and wished also to be remembered to Mary." As he spoke he bestowed upon his daughter another of the searching looks with which he regarded her frequently of late, but she made no comment. She was at a loss for something to say, and under the circumstances, sought safety in silence.

On Wednesday afternoon, returning from school earlier than usual, she found that her mother had gone out, but that, before leaving, she had laid on her daughter's desk a pencilled memorandum. It ran: "Mr. Craig telephoned this morning just after you had left the house. He wished to remind you that he is to call for you at a quarter before eight." The girl's heart beat faster as she read the few words. He must

care a great deal, she thought, to go to the trouble of emphasizing by a telephone message an arrangement already made by letter. As if she could forget! She smiled as she went about her various tasks. Yet it was characteristic of her that later, when her parents spoke of Craig and her plans for the evening, her demeanor was cool and almost indifferent. At dinner, although the glow of excitement burned on her cheeks, and she lingered after she had finished her dessert, chatting with her father and mother while they drank their coffee, always keeping the conversation upon commonplace matters.

"You have never looked prettier than you do this evening, sweetheart," her father declared as she rose to go to her room to don her wraps. "Upon my word, mother," he continued, appealing to his wife, "does it seem possible that in our little girl has grown up into a beautiful lady so soon?"

The girl turned immediately and threw her arms about the speaker's neck. "Beautiful lady," as you call her, is never going to grow up so far as you are concerned, daddy dear," she whispered, clinging to him. "I always want to be just a little girl."

He kissed her fondly. "Run along and get ready, dearie," he said huskily. "I hear the Texan here's ring at the door now." She laughed teasingly, but there was a note of sadness in his voice, and he looked wistfully after the small figure as the girl hurried away.

Craig, handsome and distinguished in bearing in his correct evening clothes, rose to greet his guest. "I am so glad to see you, cloaked with a filmy scarf thrown over her hair."

"A coincidence among women!" he exclaimed, smiling. "You are on time to the minute."

Mary's greeting was cordial, but untroubled by any inward perturbation. "My father is to be thanked for the punctual habits of his daughter," she said, after salutations had been exchanged. "It is he who has made me a bit more careful in that matter than girls usually are."

"I have already learned," the man answered gravely, "that you are different from all other girls in many ways. If your father is responsible for this fact, society in general, and I in particular, owe him a debt of thanks."

The entrance of Mr. and Mrs. Danforth caused a diversion that Mary found welcome, and soon she and her escort bade the elderly pair good night and took the elevator down to the street door. Here a taxicab stood, its engine throbbing with a calm disregard to the cents and dollars that were being marked off on the dial at the chauffeur's side. Craig assisted the girl into the semi-darkness of the limousine, gave an order to the driver, then followed her, sinking into the seat by her with a sigh of content.

"Who knows but the world may end tonight?" he quoted laughingly. "In a taxicab that sounds more like a grisly prophecy than a delicate compliment," retorted Mary. "Are you fond of Browning?"

"If the tone of surprise in my voice implies that you did not know that Texans were capable of singing him," he responded, "I shall be forced to say 'Yes' to your question. Otherwise, I will confess that I like only parts of him. Yet I can appreciate the truly beautiful just as well as a New Yorker can—even if I am theoretically wild and woolly." He glanced sidlingly at her flushed face as he spoke, and his voice held a significance that Mary recognized. But she pretended not to notice it.

"All we need about the wreck," she commanded haughtily. "It was hell," he said simply. "And I am too near the survivors of heaven just now to want to think of it."

"Who taught you to say such pretty things?" asked the girl, laughing to hide her embarrassment. "Nobody taught me," the man answered calmly. "I say them at present, they are but the result of reflected radiance and the outcome of my great happiness at being with you again."

And as once before this evening, the girl found refuge in silence.

## Courtesy a Virtue All Should Cultivate

By ELLA WHEELER WILCOX

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A YOUNG man employed in one of the many places in which contribute to the welfare of the public, a great railroad station, was asked by a patron of his department whether the trains to a certain city went from the upper or lower level.

He answered brusquely that he did not know; that he could find out by going to the inquiry bureau on the floor above.

His department was separate from that, he said. The patron turned and found an official within a few feet of the young man who indicated the way. "If I answered all the questions asked me in a day," the young man said, "I would have no time to attend to my own business."

But the man had taken more time and breath and energy in being disagreeable than he would have required in obtaining information about all the trains in the station.

There are two levels in that station, the upper and the lower.

The train asked for was on an important line, and almost any youth of ordinary intelligence, of less than ordinary, would naturally learn in a few days' time from which level they started, especially if his business was in sight of these trains.

Not to possess such information in his position betokened a lack of observation and interest in occurrences continually taking place about him that bespeaks failure for the young man in anything he undertakes; and if he knew and refused the information because he did not like to be questioned on subjects not pertaining to his business, then his disposition is one to attract failure, not success.

## A Correct Answer Would Have Taken Far Less Energy

It took many words for him to tell the lady that he did not know and that it was not his business to know what she wished to know. It would have required just two words to answer her question, had he known, "upper level" or "lower level"; and, with a smile added, the lady would have gone her way, thinking what a pleasant youth he was, instead of thinking what she did think about him.

In ten years' time this youth will be a man in his full prime—somewhere in his thirties—and he will be wondering why he has not got on in the world; and he will say he has had no "endurance," no "pull," and that others have been advanced over him through "favoritism," and he will make a hundred excuses for his in some difficult mathematical problem, and he had many moments when he was doing nothing at all save waiting for people to arrive. Therefore he had no excuse for being so slow in his eyes and ears to learn a small yet important fact to the great station; and he had no excuse for not improving the information asked save a lack of development of kindness and courtesy.

No matter what may be one's position in life, from the most menial to the most lofty, politeness and courtesy are most valuable assets for human beings to possess. They are great factors in success. Observation is another factor; and the habit of using odd, unoccupied moments in learning something that will be of value to one's self or others later—that, too, is a habit which leads to the road of success.

## Courtesy a Great Factor and Costs One But Very Little

It is a better habit than that of watching the clock for fear of working five minutes overtime.

And still another habit is of vast value on that road—the habit of smiling and speaking in an agreeable tone of voice in the small daily occurrences of life, too, is a habit which leads to the road of success.

Each one of us is subject to annoyance by having people ask questions which it is not our province to answer; but when we fail to give the information desired we can give something better oftentimes by the bestowal of a pleasant look and manner.